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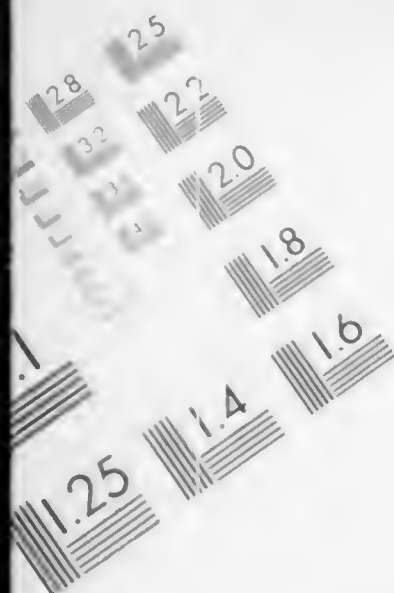
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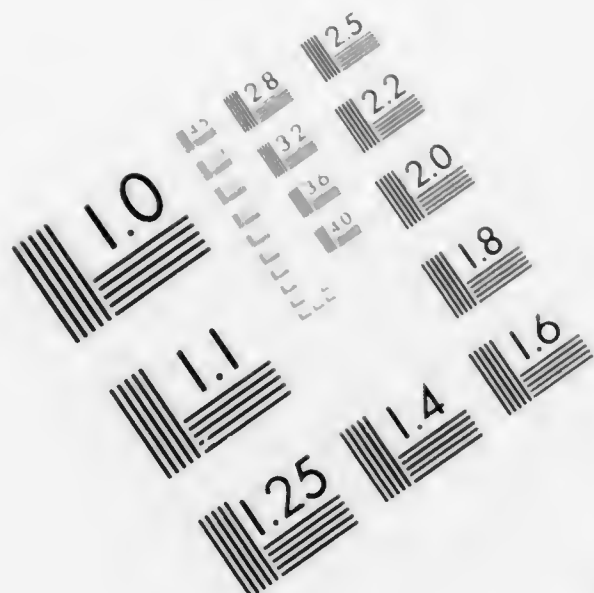
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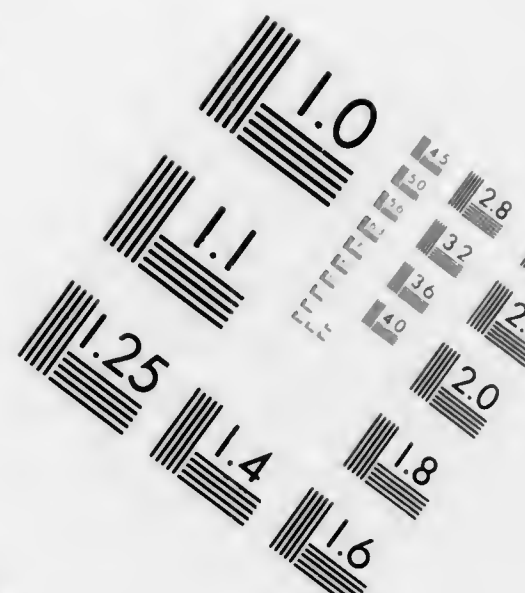
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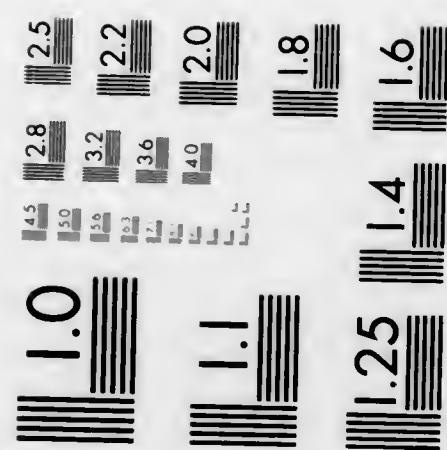
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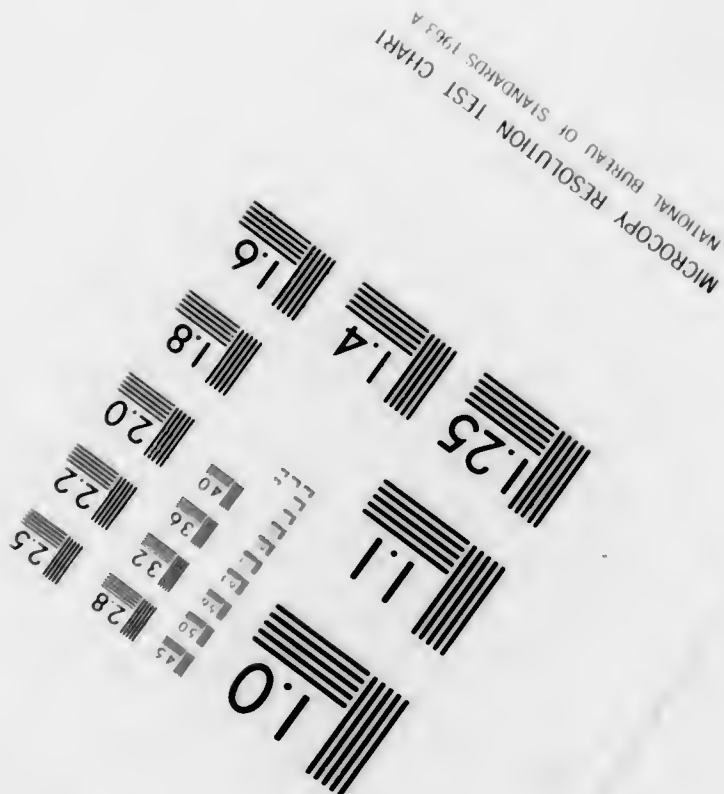
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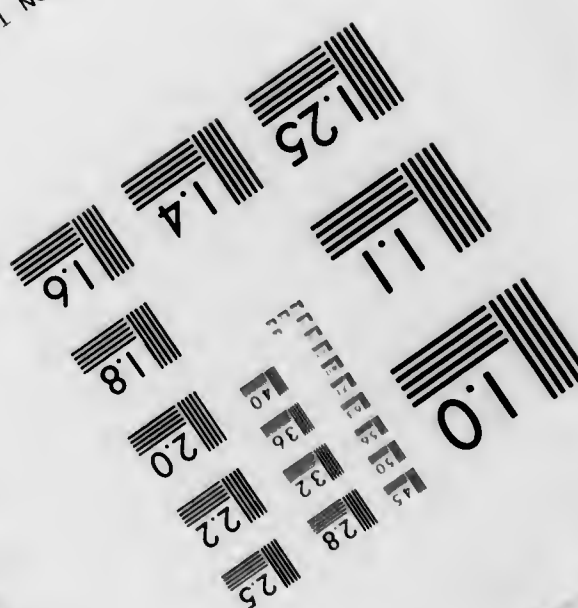
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Catalogues and Price Lists mailed free.
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ST. PAUL.
Having purchased our Goods before the
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THE CHEAPEST STORE
in the City. We have received a splendid
stock of

DRESS GOODS.
including Merinos and other cloths, which
we are selling at such low prices that it will
astonish the ladies.
We have Fall and Winter Skirts in great quan-
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CLOAKS,
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Together with a general stock of Dry
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Remember the Place.
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STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES,
Tobacco and Cigars.

Which were selected by experienced buyers at Low Figures, to meet the wants of
this Trade. We would respectfully solicit an inspection of our stock, as we feel confident
we can meet the views of the closest buyers.
We are also prepared to handle Country Produce of all kinds, and make liberal cash ad-
vances on consignments.

Referring to the above, we take pleasure in commencing our successors to our old friends
and partners throughout the State, soliciting for them a continuance of the favors hitherto
extended to us.
Very Respectfully,
Saint Paul, October 10th, 1865.
COOLEY, CARVER & CO.,
Successors.

ALL KINDS OF PRINTING
Done with neatness and dispatch at the
American Office, which is well stocked with
all the latest styles of type and ornaments.
The printer is also prepared to execute all
kinds of book and job printing, and to
bind all kinds of books in the latest and
most durable manner.
Very Respectfully,
JAMES PAYNE,
Printer,
123 Third Street, St. Paul, Minn.

NOTICE.
I hereby give notice that the estate of
JAMES PAYNE, deceased, is now open for
administration, and that all claims against
said estate must be presented to the
undersigned, at his office, on or before the
15th day of November, 1865.
JAMES PAYNE, Executor.

AGENTS FOR THE
AMERICAN HOUSE.
Having lately made an addition to the
above house, I am now prepared to accom-
modate all who may wish to stay. A
good stable is attached to the premises.
JOHN MOLL.

ST. ANTHONY,
Over Morrison & Prescott's Mill.
The subscribers will be prepared to receive
fuel for the purpose of

LOADING INTO ROLLS
The first week in July. Having given good
satisfaction to all of our customers with the
last machines started at St. Anthony Falls,
we will guarantee we shall continue to do the
same. Will commence to ship

STOCKING
And other yarn in September. Bring your
Wool cleaned and free from sticks and
burs.
D. LEWIS & CO.

Franconia Grist Mill.
This new and handsome mill is
now in operation.
It contains TWO RUNS of
FRENCH BURLS.
And all the machinery of the best and most
IMPROVED PATTERNS.

FARMERS AND LUMBERMEN
Will Get the Best Satisfaction.
COME AND SEE.
FLOUR AND FEED OF ALL KINDS
kept constantly on hand at the Franconia
Gristmill, by
PAUL MUNCH.

5000 Bushels of Wheat Wanted!
The highest market price paid for
WHEAT, CORN AND RYE,
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Stoves and Tinware.
JUST RECEIVED!
now offer the latest and most desirable
Patterns of Stoves,
AND A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF
TINWARE.

To the trade, which will be sold as near Chi-
cago and Milwaukee prices, as the extra
expense of laying down the goods in this mar-
ket will allow. I am now prepared to fill
all orders for
TINWARE, STOVE PIPE, &c., &c.
An examination of Stoves, prices, &c., &c., is
solicited.
Call at the old stand, on First Street near
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In addition to our main business of PHO-
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Views of the Mountains, Seascapes, etc., etc., etc.
We also have a large stock of the latest and
most improved photographic apparatus, and are
prepared to execute all orders for the same.
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Importer, dealer in and manufacturer of
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Mattresses, Fashions, &c.
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REGISTER OF DEEDS
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Will pay prompt attention to the pay-
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Taylors Falls, Minn., May 16th, 1865.

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THE REPORTER.

CHAS. W. FOLSOM, Editor & Publisher.

OFFICE—CORNER SECOND AND RIVER STREETS.

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Anti-Monopoly League.

Action has been taken by the people of the upper Mississippi Valley, backed by the press, in opposition to the Monopolists of the great exchange trade of the Northwest. Our exchanges have been with articles for some time, demonstrating the fact that the shippers of this state were under the iron heel of a grasping corporation which absorbed all the profits of agricultural labors. This feeling has reached its height and the Anti-Monopolists held on the 10th inst., a meeting in St. Paul to take immediate action to insure cheaper rates of transportation. The following series of resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The people of this State are suffering in every material interest on account of the oppressive and extortionate freight rates exacted of our merchants and shippers, and collected off the people generally, and whereas, such oppressive freight rates are imposed upon us by a combination of Railroad and Steamship companies, too powerful to resist except by a counter combination of all those upon whom they depend for their power and patronage, and

Resolved, That we invite the people of the Valley of the Upper Mississippi and State of Minnesota to send delegates to a convention to be held at St. Paul on Wednesday the seventh day of February, 1866, to consult and confer upon the best means of securing for our people, fair and reasonable transportation and of securing the same by the formation of a transportation companies which now enjoy our patronage.

Resolved, That while we are willing and anxious to pay remunerative prices for all transportation by rail or steamboat, we are absolutely opposed to extortion, in any and every form from companies, corporations, individuals.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this meeting it is the duty and interest of the merchants and shippers of the northwest to form a league whereby they may be able to concentrate all their patronage, and offer it as a unit to such lines of transportation as will bind themselves to carry our freight at reasonable rates.

Resolved, Our Legislature is hereby requested to confer with the legislature of the state of Wisconsin, by memorial and a special delegation to procure such legislation as will compel their railroads to carry all freight at fair rates, and to carry all freight at fair rates, and to carry all freight at fair rates.

Resolved, That we receive with great satisfaction the intelligence from Washington, this day communicated by telegraph, that Hon. John W. Hogan, representative of the city of St. Louis, has introduced a bill for the improvement of Upper Mississippi river, and we rely with confidence upon the support by the Minnesota delegation of the bill in question or any other measure which will secure a permanent channel of five feet in depth from the head of navigation to the city of St. Louis.

Resolved, That this meeting would respectfully represent to the Congress of the United States, that the interruption of the free navigation of the Welland Canal by American vessels, and the exclusion of Canadian vessels from the free navigation of Lake Michigan, would naturally reduce the facilities of transportation from the Northwestern States to Eastern markets; and we would urge that by negotiation or concurrent legislation, existing arrangements may be continued, and if possible enlarged, until the States bordering on the Great Lakes shall be secured in the enjoyment of channels to the ocean sufficient to pass vessels of one thousand tons burthen.

Resolved, That all papers in the Mississippi Valley friendly to the development and prosperity of the West be and are hereby requested to publish the proceedings of this meeting.

Resolved, That besides delegates from the people to the convention on the 7th of February next, we also invite the owners of steamboats and railroad lines, not belonging to the monopoly, also to be present at that convention.

Resolved, That said convention be invited to consider the practicability of establishing a line of steamers under the management of one company from St. Paul to New Orleans, as a means to reduce the cost of transportation of all produce bordering on the Mississippi to the seaboard and to and from all intermediate points.

CAUTION TO VOLUNTEERS.—Soldiers

who are entitled to bounty, or who may become entitled by future acts of Congress, should be careful how they answer advertisements proposing to buy their discharges. We find that some of the New York newspapers contain such advertisements, and there is reason to believe they are not in good faith. The reason for these advertisements is probably to be found in the fact that Congress will be asked to give to the volunteers who enlisted previous to July 1863, bounties equal to those received by volunteers of later date. But in this case, as in all others, the soldier's discharge is of more use to him and his heirs than to anybody else, and he or they should be careful not to part with it. Or if it is necessary to use it, in application to be made to the War Department, it should be entrusted only to a close friend of some reputable agency.

AN OLD RELIC GONE.—The old building

recently used as a tannery was last week destroyed by fire. How it caught is a mystery, but probably it was owing to a neglect of proper precautions on leaving for the night. The total loss is about \$300. The firm notwithstanding the insuperable circumstances attending the introduction of their enterprise, design commencing operations on a larger scale before long.

This building is one half of the first house erected in this town. From an old copy of the Reporter containing a series of articles on the early history of this settlement we clip the following with reference to this house.

"That 'old Log House,' was built in the year 1838, by Baker and Taylor, the pioneers of our county of Chicago. Baker soon after died—Taylor left, and the settlement was abandoned. All was destroyed by the regardless—ruthless hand, that spares not—save the old house, which still remains, though moved from its former site. Could this old house speak, no doubt it would reveal tales, and unfold scenes of thrilling interest, while it stood alone as a monument of the reckless, speculative folly of man. It has changed not, alternately, but from scene to scene through after years up to this present writing. From the various branches of business that has been conducted in it, it may truly be considered the pioneer building; having been used as an Indian Trading House, Store, Liquor Saloon, Boarding House, Dwelling House, School House, Church, Hall for Public Entertainments and Stage."

It also figured in early history as a haunted house, and ghosts and hobgoblins were said to haunt its walls.

The other half of the building still remains near the bridge and is used as a dwelling house.

THE DEMOCRACY AND PRESIDENT JOHNSON.—It must not be forgotten that

every democratic leader, now loud for Andrew Johnson, was indifferent to his patriotic courage in December of 1860, indignant at his attack on Breckinridge & Lane in 1861, laughed at his suffering as a refugee, and opposed his appointment as Military Governor of Tennessee, in 1862; denounced his tyranny, and called him an ingrate in 1863; voted against him in 1864; slandered him in 1865; and now proclaims himself in favor of Andrew Johnson's restoration or reconstruction plan, without ever having done anything but assail all the other portions of his policy, including emancipation, confiscation, suspension of the writ of *habeas corpus*, military arrests, military trials, execution of the assassins, and the support of radicals like Holt, Stanton, and Wm. G. Brownlow of Tennessee.

DEATH OF THOMAS CORWIN.—Hon. Thomas Corwin, the well known and celebrated "wagon boy" of Ohio, is dead.

The telegraph has previously announced his dangerous illness, and this morning it conveys the sad intelligence of his death. He was struck with paralysis last Friday evening, while present at a party in Washington, given by the State Military Agent of Ohio. The stroke came while he was in the act of relating an anecdote for a fund of which he was justly celebrated, and he never regained his consciousness, but gradually sank away until death ensued.—Pioneer.

Town & County Matters.

Items in Brief.

The Toll Bridge at this place will not be thrown open to the public this winter.

Last week there were several beautiful displays of "mock suns."

Owing to the bad roads the stage did not make its regular Thursday trip to Stillwater.

It is about time to lay in for next summer's use.

Quite a number of our citizens have been to St. Paul recently attending the government sale of horses.

It is proposed to have a course of lectures here, on church history.

There was a convention of the ministers of the St. Croix Valley held at Hudson on Wednesday last week.

Religious meetings have been held at the M. E. Church during this week.

The Felt is laid up for the winter a few miles below St. Louis. Clark Gallop is sleeping with her.

A new carriage shop has been started on Bench street by Mr. David Clark.

A mite society will hold its first meeting next week. The funds to be devoted to the purchase of a church organ.

A petition has been forwarded for an increase of mail service from here to Wyoming. The present service is weekly and the petition desires a tri-weekly.

Jerry Ballard is making a brief visit to his old haunts. He is in the livery business in Lake City.

The Co. Treasurer has been in town for the past two weeks collecting taxes assessed for 1865.

There is to be a Bazaar Festival at Hudson on the 25th inst.

Henry McCourt has our thanks for late St. Paul Dailies in advance of the mails. By the way Henry designs resuming his old post in the "Pioneer Store."

Real Estate Sales.—John Lindgren to Peter Gornison, 160 acres in Chicago Lake for \$500.

John Erickson to John P. Peterson 100 acres in Franconia for \$715.

One of our merchants lately returned from the salinity city, says the St. Paul and Stillwater road for 18 miles has to tunnel the drift (?) Everything betokens high water in the spring.

Over three thousand dollars has been received by the Town Treasurer of St. Croix Falls since Jan. 1st, for taxes on town lots for the year 1865. Pretty prompt payment say we, and evidence an interest in immediate improvements.

This winter has proved itself most emphatically a snow winter. Storms have followed storm in quick succession and the snow now lies two or three feet deep, and the ominous aspect of the heavens portends another installment.

See in another column the advertisement of "Petroleum V. Nasty," letters and the "Scout and Ranger," the one abounding in wit and humor, and replete with historic incidents well rendered—the other a good inside history of the great rebellion.

There are about 25 men at work in the boat yard at Osceola. Capt. Knapp's new boat is rapidly approaching completion. It will be ready for the spring trade and is said to be a perfect model of beauty. Her machinery will be at the boat yard next week. Success to the gallant Capt. and his enterprise.

Hon. H. D. Barron of our neighboring town of St. Croix has been elected speaker of the House in Wisconsin. Mr. Barron has before occupied this position, discharging his duties so much to the satisfaction of the members as to have insured his re-election.

David Canada's advertisement appears in another column. Read it and then call and see his stock and prices which are less than the same goods can be purchased in St. Paul. He keeps always on hand goods well adapted to the market—a close buyer and can afford to sell cheap.

The attention of our readers is called to the prospectus of Godley Lady's Book, the Chicago Tribune, Harper's Weekly and Harper's Monthly, and Democrats Monthly Magazine. They are all well known and published by reliable houses, so that no confusion is needed from us to influence a decision as to their respective merits.

Lumbermen.—This enticing pursuit has by specious promises and plausible theories of high water and good markets, already drawn into its meshes many more than it had been at first supposed would take a hand in the game. Large quantities of snow have fallen, which is favorable to successful operations. It is estimated that about *one million feet* of logs will be put in on the St. Croix and its tributaries this winter.

—Some 20 or 25 teams are constantly engaged in hauling lumber from Balsam Lake to this place. They get in about 30,000 feet per day. This lumber is carefully laid up in "cribs" as they are called, 48 ft. long, 22 courses deep, 16 ft. wide and containing about 15,000 ft. 9 or 10 of these "cribs" are joined together forming rafts, which are sent below on the breaking up of the ice in the spring.

—Having opened a new Wholesale House in St. Paul with a large and well selected stock of ready-made clothing, cloth, cassimere, vestings, tailors' trimmings, and gents' furnishing goods, we would solicit the pleasure of your patronage.

We have constantly a buyer in New York, and being a branch of the largest Wholesale House in Buffalo, we offer our goods at the lowest market prices.

—Aftman & Co. No. 304, Third street Mackubin's block, St. Paul.

EARNEST OF IMPROVEMENT.—Casper Hauser has several teams employed in hauling material for the three story store building which he proposes to erect in the spring. We hope that Casper's example may be imitated by future builders and that the adjacent bluffs "rock ribbed and ancient as the sun" may be converted into substantial buildings, ornaments to our town, and thus utilize to some extent the unfading quarries which the Great Architect has planted so near us.

—A well bred lady direct from the "hub of the universe," but whose occasional accent betrayed her illiterate descent, while in conversation with one of our merchants, was emphatically and bitterly denouncing the woods and wilds in this country, and extolling the Bay State, when the merchant remarked: "You must be aware madam, that even Boston was once as wild and wooded as this country."

"I beg pardon sir," she replied the lady. "Boston was built upon waters—never as uncouth as this degenerate land."

UNITED STATES MAIL.—Proposals will be received at the Contract Office of this department until 3 p.m. of March 29, 1866, for conveying the mails of the United States, from July 1, 1866, to June 30, 1870, on the route of Minnesota, on the routes and by the schedules of departures and arrivals herein specified.

Decisions announced by April 28, 1866.

12614. From Stillwater, by Marine Mills; Taylors Falls, to Falls of St. Croix, (Wis.) 32 miles and back, twice a week, from November 15 to April 15 in each year.

Leave Stillwater Monday and Thursday at 12 m., or on arrival of mail from St. Paul.

Arrive at Falls of St. Croix by 8 p.m.

Leave Falls of St. Croix Tuesday and Friday at 5 a.m.

Arrive at Stillwater by 1 p.m.

Proposals for three times a week service invited also for service during the year.

12615. From Taylors Falls to Sunrise city, eighteen miles and back, once a week.

Leave Taylors Falls Tuesday at 6 a.m.

Arrive at Sunrise city Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Leave Sunrise city Tuesday at 1 p.m.

Arrive at Taylors Falls by 7 p.m.

Proposals for twice a week service invited.

12616. From Wyoming, by Chicago city and Chicago Lake, to Taylors Falls, 22 miles and back, once a week.

Leave Wyoming Tuesday at 8 a.m.

Arrive at Taylors Falls by 4 p.m.

Leave Taylors Falls Wednesday at 8 a.m.

Arrive at Wyoming by 4 p.m.

12617. From Sunrise city, by Rushville, Chegwatawa and Twin Lakes to Superior (Wis.) 110 miles and back, three times a week.

Leave Sunrise city Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 6 a.m.

Arrive at Superior next Thursday, Saturday and Monday by 3 p.m.

Leave Superior Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 6 a.m.

Arrive at Sunrise city next Wednesday, Friday and Monday by 3 p.m.

Separate proposals to perform this service in 36 hours, each way, are invited; also the service by a 48 hour schedule making close connection at Sunrise city with mails on route No 12612.

SMOOTH AFFAIR.—An affair of this description occurred quite recently in Barnett Co., between Pete Anderson and a man named Forrell both former residents of this place and well known here. It appears that Pete was engaged in felling some trees when Forrell ordered him to desist. Failing to do this, it aroused the slumbering wrath of Forrell who leveled a double barreled gun which he carried, at Pete and the full charge of buck shot whizzed past his head and buried itself in a tree near by. The slotted accomplishment of his desired object the late Norseman endeavored to fire the other barrel which was a rifle, but providentially it would not go off. Repeated attempts at manslaughter had somewhat cooled his fiery blood—friends interposed—a settlement was sought and the matter amicably adjusted as we understood it, by a small compensation to Pete for standing as a target for the angry marksmen.

ST. CROIX BOOM CORPORATION.—In these days of Anti-Monopoly leagues, it is not strange that the feeling should extend to all branches of industry, and in accordance therewith a petition is in circulation, praying for a reduction to the old standard of the boomage rates in the above corporation. The charter of this company was first granted in 1851, and in 1856 it was extended 15 years, so that it will expire in February 1871. In these charters the boomage per thousand feet was 66 cts., at the upper or St. Croix Boom, and 75 cts., at the lower or Stillwater Boom. In Feb. 1866, the charter was further amended, abolishing the upper Boom and placing the price at \$1.00. This is complained of by lumbermen as being excessive and a reduction of 25 cts. per thousand is demanded. The petition is very generally signed and considerable feeling is manifested on the subject.

First American Newspapers.

When we look over the United States and contemplate the vast number of newspapers and periodicals, daily, weekly, and monthly, and some of them two and three times a day, we can hardly realize the fact that it is but little over a hundred years since the first newspaper of any kind on the American continent was started, and but little over half that time since the commencement of the first daily. But such is the fact.

The 24th day of April, 1704, saw the first newspaper in the English language in the American colonies or on the North American continent. This was *The Boston News Letter*, a small half sheet, printed on plea type. It was a weekly paper, published by John Campbell, a Scotchman, who was a bookseller and a postmaster. The contents of the first number were the "queen's speech in the English parliament," a few local articles under the Boston head, one advertisement, extracts from the London papers, and four paragraphs of marine news.

Advertisements were inserted "at reasonable rates, from two pence to five shillings."

In 1721 James Franklin established a newspaper in Boston. The paper was severely criticised, with somewhat hostile to the clergy. Franklin became unpopular as "scandalous libel." James Franklin was "strictly forbidden to print *The New England Courant* without a superintendant."

He created his order of supervision by substituting his brother's name for his own. The *Courant* lived three years.

The *American Weekly Mercury*, of Philadelphia, issued in 1732, was the third newspaper printed in the colonies. It was a masterpiece of quiet advertisement and short paragraphs of antique news.

The *Pennsylvania Gazette*, edited by Dr. Franklin, and published in 1729 was the next step toward journalism. In its prospectus, Franklin announces his intention to make a good, readable journal, and in his issue it is easy to see that he was far in advance of his contemporaries. His paper consisted of four small pages, and the subscription was ten shillings a year.

In 1735 Thomas Fleet established the *Boston Evening Post*. Fleet was born in England and learned his trade there. He once advertised a negro woman for sale as follows: "To be sold by the printer of this paper, the very best negro woman in the town. She has had the small pox and measles; is as hearty as a horse, as brisk as a bird, and will work like a beaver." Fleet was a humorous fellow, and made money out of his paper.

The *Pennsylvania Journal and Weekly Advertiser* was started about 1760. At the time of the stamp act, in 1765, the paper came out in mourning, with the motto: "The times are dreadful, doleful, dismal, dolorous, and dollarless." There was also a death's head in one corner of the page, and under it these words: "Oh the fatal stamp!"

A journal called the *New York Gazette* flourished a little while in 1771. It was remarkable in no particular.

The first daily in the United States, the *Pennsylvania Packet*, afterwards called the *Daily Advertiser*, was started in 1794.

These were the first attempts at American journalism, and as such, are alone worthy of mention. Soon after the advent of the daily newspaper, the idea of collecting and digesting the news became more and more comprehensive, and from the beginning of the present century of the present time the American newspaper has grown steadily and rapidly, until it now represents the whole world, and is "greater than the throne" itself. Its number is almost countless, and its power for good or evil beyond calculation.

MANY of the hop growers of Wisconsin are realizing very close upon \$1,000 an acre for their hops this year. Mr. H. M. McDonald, of Adams county, from three and a half acres has sold 6,000 pounds, at about forty-five cents per pound.

LAND OFFICE.—During the eleven months from January 1st to November 30th 1865, there were located at the St. Cloud Land office, 259,102.08 acres of government land. It is a gratifying fact to notice that four-fifths of this large quantity of land were taken under the Homestead Law.

Taylor's Falls Market Report.

CORRECTED WEEKLY.

Corn	.....	\$ 63	@ 70
Oats	.....	25	@ 49
Beans	.....	1.25	@ 1.50
Butter	.....	25	@ 25
Eggs	.....	50	@ 55
Pork	.....	10	@ 12 1/2
Butter	.....	7	@ 8
Flour	.....	12 1/2	@ 15
Eggs	.....	25	@ 30
Butter	.....	20	@ 25
Corn Meal	.....	1.75	@ 2.00
Flour	.....	6.25	@ 6.50

New Advertisements.

HOTEL TO LET.

Apply to Gen. Nathan, Chicago City, Minn. Jan 25th 1866.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

The co-partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of Payne Brothers, is this day dissolved. All accounts of the establishment will be settled by John Payne at the old stand.

Taylor's Falls Jan 17th 1866.

CANEDAYS

FAMILY SUPPLY STORE.

The undersigned gives notice to his hosts of friends that he has opened opposite the Chicago House, a stock of

GROCERIES

Consisting in part of the finest qualities of

Teas, Sugars, Syrups, Tobacco,

Fresh and Dried Apples,

Dried Peaches,

Fish,

Canned Fruit,

Fresh and Fancy Candies,

All of the Very Best Quality

At Lowest Prices.

He has also in connection herewith, a well supplied

FLOUR & FEED STORE.

Where he will keep constantly on hand and at

LOWEST POSSIBLE RATES,

FLOUR, OATS, CORN,

PROVENDER,

POTATOES, BRAN, BUTTER,

CORN MEAL

RYE FLOUR, MIXED FEED,

AND

The Best Quality of Everything

that cannot but suit the most fastidious.

He will not be undersold, and is prepared to give his custom to great bargains. Don't fail to call and examine his goods and prices before purchasing elsewhere.

Taylor's Falls, Jan. 19, 1866.

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Franconia Grist Mill.

This new and handsome mill is

NOW IN OPERATION.

It contains TWO RUNS of

FRANCE BURS.

And all the machinery of the best and most

IMPROVED PATTERNS.

FARMERS AND LUMBERMEN

Will Get the Best Satisfaction.

COME AND SEE.

FLOUR AND FEED OF ALL KINDS

kept constantly on hand at the Franconia Grist-mill, by

PAUL MUNCH.

5000 Bushels of Wheat Wanted!

The highest market price paid for

WHEAT, CORN AND RYE,

at the Franconia Grist-mill, by

PAUL MUNCH.

Jan 21st 1866

W. H. C. Folsom's Column.

PIONEER STORE

Of the St. Croix Valley

There is to be found in this store a large and well selected stock of goods, adapted to the

WANTS OF THE PEOPLE

As cheap at retail as can be bought N. W. of Chicago, in exchange for

Wheat,

Corn,

Oats,

Beans,

Pork,

Beef,

Butter,

Wool.

Greenbacks or anything that can be used in this hyperborean region.

W. H. C. FOLSOM.

Choice Farming Lands,

FOR SALE

SITUATED

INT. 32 & 34, R. 18, Polk Co. Wis.

T. 37 & 38, R. 18, Burnett Co. Wis.

T. 34, R. 19, C. isago Co., Minn.

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